FISCAL NOTE

SB 3741 - HB 3519

February 13, 2008

SUMMARY OF BILL: Exempts from Department of Agriculture regulation any domestic kitchens operating out of a residence that only prepares non-potentially hazardous foods and to such foods prepared by such domestic kitchens that may be sold at farmers' markets.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Decrease State Revenue - \$1,000

Assumptions:

- "Non-potentially hazardous foods" mean jam, jellies, candy, and baked goods that do not meet the definition of potentially hazardous foods.
- "Potentially hazardous foods" means any food that consists in whole or in part of milk or milk products, eggs, meat, poultry, fish, shellfish, edible crustacea, or other ingredients in a form capable of supporting rapid and progressive growth of infections or toxigenic microorganisms.
- According to the Department of Agriculture (DOA), it promulgated rules and regulations for domestic kitchens preparing non-potentially hazardous foods that were effective in January 2007.
- DOA has issued permits to 15 domestic kitchens since January 2007.
- Under current law, the number of domestic kitchens expected to obtain the necessary permits in FY08-09 is estimated to be 20.
- DOA indicates the cost of each permit fee to be \$50.
- The decrease to state revenue is estimated to be (20 kitchens x \$50 = \$1,000) per year.

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

James W. White, Executive Director

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